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Work on Buckingham Canal
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to start work on the Buckingham Canal for water transportation between Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the time frame set for execution/ completion of the said work?

Answer

(a)to(c):Buckingham Canal is part of National Waterway-4 which comprises Kakinada- Puducherry canals along with rivers Godavari and Krishna in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu and the Union Territory of Puducherry. The waterway is proposed to be developed in three phases. The work on Buckingham Canal is proposed in Phase-3.

Preliminary activities such as hydrographic surveys on the stretch of Buckingham Canal from Pedaganjam to Puducherry have been completed. Delineation survey in the North Buckingham Canal has also been completed. Development of Buckingham Canal will be done on basis of outcome of these surveys in consultation with the respective State Government.
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